

I have been an amateur radio operator since 1956 and hold the amateur extra class license since 1962. I also hold a BS in electrical engineering and am a licensed physician. In my experience morse code is just as worthwhile today as when I was first licensed. Morse code is a digital mode and as such helps the amateur understand the basics of digital theory.

Also in spite of many individuals saying that it is obsolete, I still find as many signals on the CW portion of the bands as I did when I was first licensed more than 40 years ago.

As a physician who has evaluated applicants for Social Security disability, it does not seem to me that morse code prevents many qualified individuals from obtaining an amateur radio license.

In summary morse code is an important communication mode, and I believe it is still an important part of the amateur radio license requirements.

Sincerely,

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